

## BENNINGTON BRIEFS

News of the Town and Village Told Briefly for Busy Readers.

Tams for women, misses and children, the latest at the New York store. Adv.

For good shoes and rubbers, prices the lowest, visit the New York store shoe dept. Adv.

Harry C. Rosier of Elm street, who has been confined to his home by illness is improving.

Mrs. Agnes Martin Sullivan of Cambridge, Mass., has been called here by the death of Miss Sophronia Collins.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Pettibone is critically ill at the home of Mrs. Pettibone's mother, Mrs. Frank Thompson.

A. A. Brimmer of Hoosick, N. Y., was the guest on Friday of Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Walker. Mr. Brimmer had over three tons of honey this year from 255 swarms.

Thomas J. Enright, aged 17, died of pneumonia at the home of his mother, Mrs. Catherine Enright, Saturday night. The funeral, which will be private, will be held from St. Francis de Sales church Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

## PORTO RICO EARTHQUAKE

Widespread Damage Said to Have Been Done.

Havana, Oct. 12.—Widespread damage has been caused by an earthquake in Porto Rico, according to an unconfirmed report received here from San Juan.

Many buildings are said to have been destroyed. The report fixes no definite locality, and no loss of life is mentioned. Cable communication between Cuba and Porto Rico is badly hampered.

## NO STATE CONVENTION TO BE HELD THIS YEAR

Frank C. Archibald, Temporary Chairman, Says Platform Will Be Promulgated by Mail.

Rutland, Oct. 12.—Following the announcement of Dr. C. S. Caverly, chairman of the state board of health, that the Republican state convention in Burlington would be postponed one week, The Herald yesterday got into communication with Chairman J. Rolfe Scaries of the Republican state committee, and Frank C. Archibald of Manchester, temporary chairman of the convention. It was learned from them that the convention would in all probability be given up and that the committee on resolutions would promulgate a platform by mail.

Mr. Scaries stated to The Herald representative that with the epidemic of influenza as serious as it was, it seemed to him out of the question to hold a state convention. He said, however, that this was up to the temporary chairman, Mr. Archibald, who would take such action as he saw fit in regard to postponing the convention next Tuesday.

Mr. Archibald was reached at Manchester and said that in his opinion the only action possible, under existing conditions, was to adjourn the convention, sine die, or indefinitely. He said that undoubtedly the committee on resolutions would be ready to report next Tuesday and that the platform would, in all probability, be promulgated by mail.

If this plan of procedure is carried out, the temporary chairman, secretary and a few of the nominees, would meet in Burlington on Tuesday, receive the report of the committee on resolutions and then adjourn without call.

Mason S. Stone, headquarters manager for the Republican state committee, said yesterday that the plan proposed seemed wholly feasible to him and was, in fact, the only plan that would meet the situation. He is prepared to send out the platform recommended by the committee to every voter in the state, in which way he would receive a ratification by mail of the proposed planks.

Sherman R. Mouton, chairman of the committee on resolutions, said yesterday that the platform was ready with the exception of one or two planks, on which he thought the committee should be called together, but owing to the ban on public meetings he would probably have to discuss them by mail. He informed The Herald that he would make every effort to have the platform ready for the convention on Tuesday morning and, if possible, would submit the provisions on which the committee agreed at that time.

All members of the state committee with which The Herald was in communication yesterday, though a public meeting was impossible under existing conditions, and that the Republican nominees for state and county offices and for town representative should be advised accordingly. Unless some change is made in these arrangements, there will be no Republican this year.

## PORTUGAL DECLARES SIEGE

President Takes Command of Military and Naval Forces.

Lisbon, Oct. 14.—Portugal has declared a state of siege for all Portuguese territory. The president has taken command of the military and naval forces. Tranquility reigns in the country.

## NOTICE

Whereas my wife, Mrs. Nellie Condon, has left my bed and board, I hereby forbid all persons harboring or trusting her on my account as I shall pay no bills of her contracting after this date.

Clark H. Condon,  
South Shaftsbury, Vt., Oct. 5, 1918.

## TOWNS RAZED BY

## FOREST FIRES

800 LIVES LOST

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its residents to escape. "The scene at the station was indescribable," he said. "There came a rush of wind and the entire town was in flames. Women wept and clung to their children while others cried frantically for their missing ones. The flames licked at the cars. Windows in the coaches were broken by the heat. The engineers and firemen alternately stoked, to give the boilers all the fuel they could stand. "Other trains were hurriedly made of flat cars, box cars and anything that would roll. But even then all did not get away. There are many dead in Clouquet."

Clouquet was a town with about 7,500 population. More than 4,700 persons were brought to Duluth and Superior from there alone.

Information brought in by the rescuers here tonight indicated that nearly 100 bodies have been found on roads leading to Duluth. Several burned automobiles filled with bodies were passed by the rescuers.

Other bodies are being brought from every village and hamlet stricken by the great driven fires.

The town of Twig, on the Miller Trunk road, was wiped out.

Other towns reported as being entirely destroyed include Rice Lake, Brookston, Brevator, Corona, Adolph, Thompson, Arnold, Moose Lake and Wright.

There is no community within a radius of 30 miles which has not sustained more or less damage and each has its quota of dead and injured.

The cities of Duluth and Superior were not definitely out of danger until today. As it was, property damage wrought yesterday will total more than \$1,000,000.

More than 500 persons are dead or missing and at least 12,000 have been made homeless by forest fires which spread across northern Wisconsin and northern Minnesota during the past thirty-six hours.

The towns of Clouquet, Brookston, Brevator, Corona, Adolph, Thompson, Arnold, Moose Lake and Wright have been wiped out, according to refugees. Scores of hamlets and hundreds of settlers' homes have been destroyed. The property and timber loss, which will total many millions, will surpass that claimed by any in the history of fires which have swept this region.

Forest fires which swept northern Minnesota from Ashland to Moose Lake have already caused property loss which will run into the millions.

It is feared the loss of life will be extremely heavy. Several hundred homes have been destroyed. Thousands of refugees have arrived here. All relief agencies are co-operating to aid the fire sufferers.

Every hour adds to the horror of the disaster and additional names to the list of dead.

At Moose Lake an Associated Press correspondent saw 75 bodies piled in a fire-gutted building. On a road leading out of Moose Lake at least 100 bodies were strewn here and there. A relief worker reported that in a cellar between Moose Lake and Kettle river, there were 30 bodies in a heap.

## MUST USE PEA COAL

Smaller Size Must Be Mixed With Chestnut and Stove.

In order to relieve the existing shortage of stove and chestnut sizes of anthracite coal, the coal dealers of Bennington are hereby directed that beginning Monday, October 14th, and continuing until further notice, an amount of pea size coal shall be mixed with all orders of chestnut size coal to the extent of one half the order, and a similar mixture of stove and pea sizes may be furnished if the purchaser desires.

Also beginning on the above date, an amount of egg size coal shall be mixed with all orders of stove coal to the extent of one half the order.

Prices for these mixtures will be the average price obtained upon a basis of the prices heretofore fixed by the State Fuel Administrator.

Local dealers are also directed not to deliver any stove or chestnut sizes of coal for consumption in furnaces or steam heaters.

## BRITISH PRESSING DOUAL

They Are Making Gains North and South of City.

London, Oct. 4.—The British are pressing in on both sides of Douai. Field Marshal Haig reported gains north and south of the city.

## U. V. M. TO OPEN OCT. 23.

Opening Again Postponed Because of Epidemic.

The opening day for the University of Vermont has again been postponed. It is now set for Oct. 23.

## Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the friends of Bennington and Woodford for the many acts of kindness and sympathy shown us during our recent bereavement and for the beautiful flowers. We deeply appreciate the services of Rev. P. L. Dow and E. E. Bottom.

Mrs. Carl Bugbee and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jeffe Bugbee, John L. Bugbee, Jeffe A. Bugbee.

## NOTICE

Having purchased the stock of monuments, headstones and markers of the late James S. Clark at his shop, 7 Church street, North Bennington, I will dispose of the same rather than move them to Hoosick Falls. There are some good designs, and any one contemplating the purchase of medium or small work, will do well to look them over, and get prices from P. H. McCarthy at the shop at any time.

Timothy Hector,  
Hoosick Falls, N. Y.

Children Cry  
FOR FLETCHER'S  
CASTORIA

## Fresh New Offerings

arrived this week in

## NECKWEAR

MARABOUT CAPES

VEILS AND VEILINGS

Novel and inexpensive

THE BABIES' SHOP is bubbling over with dainty, cute Winter Fixings—Coats and Capes—Leggins and Mittens, Bootees, Sweaters and Jack-ots—Kimonas and Comfy Robes

Good Reliable  
Gloves

Never were scarcer than they are today. Fortunately we placed early orders and are surprisingly well supplied.

BACMO washable cape gloves are the ideal all-purpose Fall Glove. Cafe Creme, Pearl Grey, Khaki, Tan and Black. \$2.00, \$2.39, \$2.75

FRENCH KID AND FINE LAMBSKIN gloves in superior qualities, tan, grey, brown, white, black. \$1.95, \$2.50, \$2.75

GREY MOCHA GLOVES, very warm, slightly and flexible. Lined or unlined. Various qualities and weights. \$2.50 and \$3.00

CHAMOISETTE AND MOCH-ASETTE fabric gloves with a leather-like texture—Grey, brown, tan, white, black. 85c and \$1.00

WOOL GLOVES—GOLF GLOVES, JERSEY GLOVES wide variety of wrist or gauntlet styles—Khaki, Oxford, white and Heather. 50c to \$1.75

CHILDREN'S GLOVES, Satisfying assortments of kid and cape gloves—Mocha and Wool Gloves. 29c to \$1.75

Notably Smart  
Boots

Gray Kid Lace—Taupe cloth tops—Military heels \$8.00

Tabasco Brown Calf Boots, colonial heels \$8.00

Chocolate Brown Calf lace—fawn cloth tops \$7.50

Cordo Brown Kid lace—cloth tops—French heels \$8.50

Field Mouse Kid, lace—Cuban heels \$10.00



"PERFECTION" OVERGAIT-ERS, cut to fit properly by experts.

Black Spats \$1.25 to \$2.00

Khaki—8 button \$1.75

Fawn, Pearl, Taupe, 10 button. \$2.50

## SAVE YOUR PEACH STONES

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## The Drysdale Store

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AT \$3.25—SPECIAL LOT of Heatherbloom-top Petticoats with deep Silk Flounces—Changeable or plain—Colors—wide choice

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"Verite" and "Miss Manhattan" productions, noted for their chic out-of-the-ordinary trimness. Brown, taupe, reindeer, navy, Oxford, burgundy, black and mixtures.

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Hundreds here and more and more arriving. An ever changing show of the new styles in Tricotee, Crepes, Satins, Velvets, Silks and Serges. All the standard colors with a good sprinkling of the newer shades. Sizes for Girls, for Juniors, for Misses, for Women.

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## The ever convenient Separate Skirts

Assembled in generous profusion

Rich plaids and stripes—Dressy Silks, Satins and Poplins—Serviceable Serges and many other weaves. Goodly variety in every size, 24 to 38 Waist bands \$7.50, \$8.89, \$9.50, \$10.89 up to \$22.50

"The Opera"  
"The Lerner"  
"The Matinee"

Waists and Blouses in both the crisply dainty white Lingeries and the white and colored dressy Crepes are delightfully pleasing in style, fit and service. Fresh new lots go on sale today. Lingerie, \$1.50 to \$3.95—Crepes, \$2.95 to \$10.89

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## Petticoats! Petticoats! and Petticoats!

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Black Satine Bloomers, \$2.25

Knit Undershirts in variety at the Knit Underwear Section.

Hug-me-tight Sweaters  
Knit Jackets and  
Quilted Japanese Snugglers

Wool, Worsted, Shetland or Silk Sweaters, ship-on or other models. \$5.69 to \$16.50

Knit Wool Jackets—Black or Oxford—with or without sleeves. \$2.50 to \$3.95

Quilted Black Silk Jackets from Japan, with or without sleeves—Lavender lined—light, attractive and cosy \$1.75 to \$3.39

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maintain their standards of excellence regardless of conditions.

While our stocks today are very complete—securing of further supplies this season are decidedly doubtful.

WOMEN'S UNION SUITS—regular and extra sizes—Dutch or high necks—long or three-quarter sleeves. Medium weight cotton. \$2.00 and \$2.25

Fleeced Cotton. \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25

Merino Wool. \$3.50, \$3.75, \$4.00

Silk and Wool. \$3.75, \$4.25

VESTS, PANTS AND TIGHTS Vests with Dutch neck or high neck. Pants and tights—ankle or knee length. Cotton, medium weight or fleeced. 79c, 89c, \$1.00, \$1.25

Wool or Silk and Wool. \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50

Black Wool Tights—\$1.50 and \$1.75

CHILDREN'S, GIRLS' AND BOYS' WEAR

Cotton Vests and Pants—White, 59c to \$1.50

Boys' Grey Shirts and Drawers, 69c to 79c

White Wool Vests and Pants, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50

White Merino Unions, \$1.75, \$2.25, \$2.75

Fleeced Cotton Unions, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50

Grey Wool Unions, \$2.50 and \$3.00

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